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MEMORANDUM

TO : Assistant Directors 2 January 1952
FROM : Director of Training
SUBJECT : Briefing of Outgoing Attaches
REFERENCE: CIA Regulation

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1. Responsibility for arranging CIA briefings of outgoing military attaches has been assigned to the Director of Training. CIA Regulation is under revision accordingly.

2. Currently all outgoing Army and Air Force attaches attend the Strategic Intelligence School course (normally 12 weeks) while Navy and Marine attaches, whether Naval Intelligence School graduates or not, are put through a briefing cycle of about one month in the Pentagon. Under Interagency Operating Procedure No. 1 of 8 November 1950, CIA and the military services have agreed that CIA briefings shall be conducted, normally during the last week before the attache goes abroad. In the past these briefings have been held in CIA for the Army and Air Force attaches completing their SIS course, and Naval attaches have been invited at the same time. This procedure assured the coverage of all Army and Air Force attaches but not all Naval attaches in briefings designed to meet CIA needs. Recently the SIS has requested that the briefing of Army and Air attaches be given at the Strategic Intelligence School rather than in CIA. Under this plan CIA briefings are necessarily restricted to conform with the pattern and needs of the Strategic Intelligence School course.

3. In order to assure ourselves freedom of action in meeting CIA requirements for these briefings, it is suggested that they be held only in CIA and as frequently as necessary to insure coverage of all outgoing military attaches. To permit my coordinating Agency requirements for these briefings and setting up a standard operating procedure that will best meet those requirements, will you please reply to the following:

- A. Will your Office wish to participate in all, some or no briefing of outgoing military attaches?
- B. Do you prefer that the briefings be held at CIA or at the Strategic Intelligence School and Pentagon respectively?

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- C. What approximate time will you require for these briefings?
 - D. Assuming the use of the CIA Orientations Room (117 Central), will you normally require support from other offices, other than the coordinating support of my office?
4. Your reply by 11 January will be appreciated.

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